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**Amendment to the Specification**

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 6 with the following:

This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/176,696, filed January 18, 2000, the contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference. Additionally, the application of Richard Lipton and Dimitrios Serpanos, entitled "Method and Systems for Data Security", Attorney Docket No. ~~APP 1360 US~~, contains subject matter related to the present application and is assigned to the assignee hereof ~~and has been filed on the same date as the present application~~.